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1. THE EMBASSY HAS NO FURTHER DETAILS ON THE PROPOSAL TO SHIP SUGAR AND BAUXITE TO THE U.S. IN SOVIET SHIPS. AS OUTLINED IN REFTEL (B), THIS WAS ONLY DISCUSSION AND APPARENTLY IS ONE OF THE POINTS TO BE EXPLORED BY THE JOINT JAMAICA/USSR COMMISSION.

2. THE PROPOSAL IS PART OF A TREND TO INCREASE THE INVOLVEMENT BY THE JAMAICA MERCHANT MARINE (THE COUNTRY'S NATIONAL SHIPPING LINE) IN THE TRANSPORTATION OF JAMAICAN PRODUCTS TO THEIR POINT OF DESTINATION. DUE TO SCARCITY OF INVESTMENT FUNDS TO BUY ITS OWN SHIPS, THE JMM IS LIKELY TO CHARTER VESSELS TO PROVIDE SHIPPING SPACE TO COPE WITH THE VOLUME OF CARGO IT EXPECTS TO MOVE WHEN A CARTO PREFERENCE LAW IS PROMULGATED. SHOULD THE SOVIETS PROVIDE COMPETITIVE RATES, THEIR SHIPS MIGHT BE CHARTERED BY THE JAMAICA MERCHANT MARINE.
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